

Kiowa Country.

Description of the Land
Soon to be Thrown
Open to Home-
steaders

QUALITY OF LANDS.

Country is Well Watered
And the Soil is Very
Productive.

NATURAL GATEWAY.

Chickasha, Having the Facilities,
is the Natural Outfitting Sta-
tion for Homeseekers.

READ AND REFLECT ON IT.

The Surrounding Territory Re-
flects the Productiveness of
the Kiowa and Comanche
Reservation.

THE RESERVATIONS.

The Indian reservation is located be-
tween the Washita river on the north and
Red river on the south and between the
28th meridian of west longitude on the east
and north fork of Red river on the west,
and contains in round numbers, 4,000,000
acres. From this will be deducted about
one million acres taken up by the moun-
tains, and a like amount to be allotted to
the Indians, leaving about two million acres
to be thrown open to white settlers. The
lands occupied by the mountains is only
available for grazing purposes and rich in
gold, silver, tin and coal. These are still to
be developed.

WELL WATERED.

The lands outside of the mountains are
undoubtedly, prairie, well watered with
living streams of water found by digging at
depths of twenty to thirty feet. All the
streams bear a more or less fringe of tim-
ber, while large areas are covered with a
growth of mesquite trees, a timber which
make good fence posts and is excellent
fuel. Other sections and some streams bear
a growth of timber large enough to saw into
lumber. Any or all of these timber lands
are productive, and will make fine farms.

By an act of congress approved June 6,
1900, the above reservation is to be opened
to settlement. On the north side of this
reservation is another known as the Wichita
reservation, which may be included at the
same time, but this is not yet known. The
law opening the reservation, provides that
the allotments shall be made in from three
to six months, and makes it the duty of
the President to issue a proclamation opening
the country within six months after the al-
lotments are made. It is not likely that
the President will take the six months, and
and he may issue his proclamation immedi-
ately after the allotments are made. Thus
it may be seen the lands may be open at any
time from the early spring to summer of
next year.

PRODUCTIVENESS.

There need be no doubt of the product-
iveness of these lands. They have been
tried in every quarter with a result that has
produced 20 to 30 bushels of wheat, and 40
to 50 bushels of corn per acre. These crops
have been raised by farmers living on In-
dian lands. The valleys of the Washita, of
Cache creek, Beaver and other streams are
more or less cultivated every year, and al-
ways give good returns. The uplands are
productive of all cereals, and afford the finest
grazing in the world.

The lands to be opened to white settle-
ment, after the Indian has taken his allot-
ment, will give homes to nearly 10,000 fam-
ilies. The price of these lands will be \$1.25
per acre, payable at the end of five years
residence. No better chance to get a home
in this superb climate will ever be known
again. The climate is all that can be de-
sired, being a happy medium between the hot
climate of Texas and the cold climate of
Kansas or Missouri. The days are never ex-
cessively hot, nor the winter excessively
cold. In summer days the mercury seldom
goes above a hundred, while the nights are
invariably cool. In winter the mercury
seldom goes below zero, and then for only a
day or two. The reservation has one line of
railroad on its northern border, following
the Washita river, with two more surveyed
and will probably be built before the open-
ing, which will give market facilities equal
to an older country.

CHICKASHA.

Chickasha, Indian Territory, lies two
miles east of the eastern border of this In-
dian reservation, and is a city of 4,000 people,
with all that goes to make a city of that size.
It is lighted with electricity, has a 300-hor-
se per day flouring mill, an 80-ton per day
cotton seed oil mill, local and long distance
telephone, two wholesale grocery stores, ten
retail grocery stores, eight dry goods stores,
four furniture stores, four hardware and
implement houses, four lumber yards,
three banks, five drug stores, two jewelry
stores, one steam carpenter shop, three ho-
tels, lodging houses and restaurants in num-
bers, together with all shops of blacksmiths,
boot and shoe, etc., that go to make up a
growing, pushing city. It has six church
buildings, with stated preachers, two school

buildings in which school is maintained ev-
ery year.

The people of the city and surrounding
country are intellectual and cultivated peo-
ple, gathered from nearly every state in the
Union. No better people exist anywhere.

The city is incorporated, has a mayor and
board of aldermen, and law and order pre-
vail here as in older states and communities.
Business is carried on, debts are collected,
offenses against morality or any disorder or
crime punished, the same as in the states.
Don't think that because this is the Indian
Territory that the people are outlaws, and
that all is "wild and woolly." The "Indi-
ans" in this vicinity are among our most re-
spected people—progressive, educated and
refined. These are the Indian Territory
"Indians." The reservation Indian is not
the same, yet he is peaceable and fast civil-
izing. Your life, your property and your
earnings are as safe here as in the oldest
state in the Union.

The city of Chickasha is improving very
fast, having doubled its population in the
past 18 months. Brick and stone buildings
are going up all the time. Prices on prop-
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SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY.

Raindrops are said to be hollow, as
they fall to entirely wet the circle
upon which each falls.

An English machinist has discov-
ered a new method of coloring iron.
It entirely prevents rust, even though
the metal be brought to a red heat.

Recent studies of the ocean bottom
near the coast line of continents have
shown that rivers of considerable size
sometimes enter the sea beneath the
surface.

A Hungarian has discovered a
method of spinning wood pulp into
yarn, so that it can be woven into a
fabric that may be converted into
various articles of clothing.

Kobei Owa, a Japanese electrical
engineer of considerable prominence
in his own country, is traveling in the
United States studying water-power
development with a view to introduc-
ing improvements in Japan.

Cranberry growing in Nova Scotia
is said to be profitable when free from
insect attacks, but these of late, says
Meehan's Monthly, have been so nu-
merous and troublesome that the
profits of cranberry culture there are
precarious and growers are discour-
aged.

Everyone knows that the hailstone
is onion-coated, and that the layers
vary in texture from snow to hard
ice, indicating that they were not all
deposited under the same conditions,
and proving conclusively that the hail-
stone was not made in one operation;
that is, the stone must have been
maintained in the atmosphere for
some time before it grew to its full
size.

"If a spray of liquid air is applied to
the skin," says Omega, "the part at
once becomes anemic and perfectly
colorless. If the application is made
only for a few seconds, the color as
quickly returns and the skin is con-
gested for some minutes thereafter.
Within much less than a minute's
time, by means of a spray, the part is
frozen as hard as ice, but, strange to
say, in a few minutes circulation re-
turns without injury to the tissue,
providing the part is not in the end of
some extremity; here is no pain in the
application excepting at the very be-
ginning; but there is a slight burning
or tingling. It also completely anes-
thetizes the part to which it is applied
without freezing it solid."

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The strict Wagnerite refuses to
hear the music of his favorite com-
poser in the concert-room. It was
never intended, he will tell you, to be
performed by itself, but to be played
as an accompaniment to the action,
for the purpose of heightening the
effect of the intensely dramatic situa-
tions coupled with gorgeous stage
pictures that are inseparable from
Wagner's famous art work, says the
London Mail.

The most important part of a Wag-
ner opera, according to the composer
himself, is not the music, but the
drama, which, indeed, the beginner
should closely follow with the aid of
the book of words, since the music
is usually sung in German words.

The intending Wagnerite should
also begin with the master's most
popular works, "Tannhauser" and
"Lohengrin." He will then at once
recognize the familiar music he has
already heard so often at concerts,
and, struck by its beauties, he will
attend many performances of these
two. Next year he will want to hear
these again, supplemented by "Tris-
tan and Isolde," that wonderful music
drama so charged with intense emo-
tion and passion. Having heard "Tris-
tan" and liked it he thereupon be-
comes a full-fledged Wagnerite in the
true sense, and the season after he
attends performances of the "Ring
des Nibelungen," or he may make a
supreme effort to get to Bayreuth.
From Bayreuth he returns the ar-
dent disciple of a musician whose
name he terrifies his friends by pro-
nouncing in the German fashion, not
Wagner, but "Vanchkner."

Thomas Jugged His Memory.
A certain elderly gentleman suf-
fered much from absent mindedness,
and was frequently compelled to seek
the assistance of his servant. "Thomas,"
he would constantly say, "I have
just been looking for something, and
now I can't remember what it is,"
whereupon the obliging Thomas in-
variably made suggestions. "Was it
your purse, or spectacles, or check
book, sir?" And so on, till he hit on
the right object.

One night, after the old gentleman
had retired, the bell rang for Thom-
as, and on reaching the bedroom he
found his master rambling restlessly
about his room.

"Thomas, Thomas," he said, "I came
up here for something, and now I've
forgotten what."

"Was it to go to bed, sir?" suggest-
ed his faithful retainer.

"Ah! the very thing—the very
thing! Thank you, Thomas. Good
night!"—Pittsburgh Chronicle.

Allah, Not the English.

I remember some five years ago I
was up the Nile, away from big
towns, and had a long talk with var-
ious sheiks and omdehs of villages.
I was the only westerner present, and
we all knew and trusted each other
in a way. I asked if taxes were light-
er. "Yes," was the answer. "Is wa-
ter fairly distributed?" "Yes." "Are
the soldiers paid properly?" "Yes."
"Can you get justice against a pasha?"
"Yes." "And who did all this?" I
finally asked, expecting to be told it
was the English. There was silence;
they are never in a hurry. Then an
old sheik answered: "Allah."—Lon-
don Standard.

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